Subject No. 248.

Appointment of Vasuli Patels.

Mr. N. Venkataramaiya of Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Literate men may be appointed as Vasuli Patels to receive payments of Kandayam as the majority of Patels now are illiterate. The Kandayam is now usually received by the Shanbhogs who also grant receipts.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Subject No. 247.

Subject No. 249.

Right of Kodigidars to the Honge trees on the bunds of their tanks.

Mr. Chik Ramanna, Kolar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Honge trees on bunds of Kodigi tanks were planted by Kodigidars whose Inams were enfranchised. The Kodigidars have been deprived of the right to such trees, which they enjoyed from time immemorial and the trees are now distributed among the villagers. The planters of avenues and topes are allowed the benefit of enjoying the usufruct of the trees. It is requested that similar concession may be shown to Kodigidars.

Reply of Government.—This subject once came up in 1890. After the enfranchisement, the tanks belong to Government and hence the trees thereon also belong to Government, but the privilege to take honge leaves from such trees can be conceded on the same terms as in the case of honge trees on other Government lands. No change is therefore called for.

Subject No. 250.

Compulsory Survey Settlement, etc. in Inam villages.

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality.
Mr. Varahaswami Iyengar of Sri Yadugiri Sadananda Vardhini Sabha of Melkote.

Summary of discussion.—The Government were pleased to reply to Subject No. 131 of 1903 that compulsory Survey and Settlement was out of question in these villages. It is impossible that all the Inamdars will ever agree to their lands being surveyed. When even one Inamdar fails to pay his portion of the Government dues, the entire village is auctioned. It is therefore suggested that Survey and Settlement may be introduced when one or any member of the Inamdars ask therefor and produce a decree of a competent Court declaring the rights of all Inamdars.

Reply of Government.—The member refers to a particular village regarding which a representation should be made in proper form. The matter cannot be dealt with here as a general question.

Subject No. 251.

Accounts Nos. 14 and 15.

Mr. H Krishnachar, Goribidnur Taluk.
Mr. K. Krishnamurti Rao of Magadi.

Summary of discussion.—Inamdars have been ordered to produce accounts Nos. 14 and 15 to Government. But Government do not help them in recovering kandayam from the defaulters in an Inam village. The Inamdars must have recourse only to the Civil Courts for the recovery of such amount. The status of an Inamdar corresponds to that of a big landholder and Government are not justified in demanding from him the aforesaid accounts.

(2) It is requested that only those villages into which detailed Survey Settlement has not yet been introduced may be exempted from furnishing these accounts as otherwise it will be a great hardship to them.

Reply of Government.—This rule cannot be changed.